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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: S. ARAKI, et al

Serial No.: 09/920,887

Filed: August 3, 2001

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR NETWORK MANAGEMENT

Group: 2155

Examiner: A. Baturay

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 19, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

Remarks are included following the amendments.